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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of May 1, 2008, for which reconsideration is requested, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin at page 2 of this paper.

**Comments about amendments to the Drawings** begin at page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 11 of this paper.